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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**



Applicant(s): Stoddard et al.

Examiner: David M. Shay

Serial No.: 10/628,682

Group: Art Unit 3739

Filed: July 28, 2003

Docket: 2092 CON II (203-2398 CON II)

For: ELECTROSURGICAL  
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Dated: August 25, 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

☐ A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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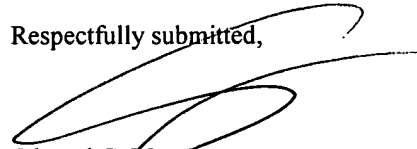
  
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 16, 2005, applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

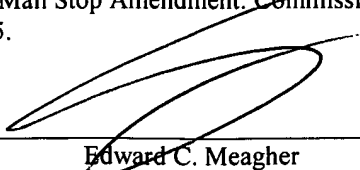
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